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SBA AND STAPLES JOIN TOGETHER IN CO-SPONSORSHIP FOR NEW ONLINE NEWSLETTER

WASHINGTON – Small business owners can now access the latest news and information on the U.S. Small Business Administration's loan programs and services direct through its new e-mail newsletter? *SBA Solutions*.

The inaugural edition of *SBA Solutions*, a free, interactive newsletter, made its debut in September. This new tool is specifically designed to provide information useful to potential and established entrepreneurs. The SBA's new direction of innovation, simplification, and dedication of all its programs and services yielded this online tool.

SBA Solutions is part of a cosponsorship between the SBA and Staples, Inc., to provide an informative training tool to the small business community. It features an easy-to-navigate format and comprehensive sections introducing small business owners to important issues related to their companies. The sections include What's New @SBA, SBA Loans, Disaster Assistance, SBA Classroom, FAQs, and links to articles designed to help small businesses succeed.

"The SBA is dedicated to providing entrepreneurs what they need and, we are excited to be cosponsoring this newsletter with Staples," said SBA Administrator Hector V. Barreto. "It is vital to share the wealth of resources on subjects of importance to every small business owner."

The newsletter features:

- articles on various topics that are relevant to small business;
- success stories;
- an SBA program highlight; and
- a message from Administrator Barreto.

For a free subscription to the SBA Solutions newsletter, go online at http://web.sba.gov/list/.

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